

## ISLANDER STUDENT-ATHLETES SHINE IN THE CLASSROOM

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi student-athletes have not only made their mark in competition, but also in the classroom. Over half of the athletic department's student-athletes recorded a 3.0 grade-point average or better to be named to the Athletic Director's Honor Roll, with 30 being named to the Dean's List for the recently completed fall semester.

"Once again, Islander student-athletes have distinguished themselves by their outstanding performance in the classroom," said Tim Fitzpatrick, Director of Athletics. "We continually challenge these fine young men and women to pursue excellence competitively and in their academic pursuits. We are both pleased and proud that they embrace this mission with enthusiasm and dedication. Their impressive results speak for themselves."

To be eligible for the Athletic Director's Honor Roll, a student must post a grade-point average of 3.0-or-better in the classroom. The Islanders had 197 student-athletes enrolled in the fall semester with 100 of those earning a 3.0 for 50.7%. Additionally, 30 of those students were named to the Dean's List with GPAs of 3.65 or better. Fourteen Islanders recorded 4.0s for the semester from eight of 14 sports.

Three teams had over 75 percent of their squad members make the Athletic Director's Honor Roll including a pair of current conference championship teams. Women's golf, which won its first title last spring, had four of five members named to the AD's list for department-best 80%. The three-time defending Southland Conference women's cross country team had 13 student-athletes on its 17-person roster named to the list. The third team is the women's softball team which placed 15 players on the honor roll. Baseball had the most individuals with 23 student-athletes included on the list.

Five teams had combined grade-point averages of 3.0-or-better. The women's golf team under Carol Blackmar had a team mark of 3.37. The combined men's and women's cross country teams posted a 3.16 as did women's tennis. Men's Tennis recorded a 3.14, while the softball team had a 3.02.

Current student-athletes that made the Athletic Director Honor Roll will be honored at halftime of the men's basketball game with UTSA on Wednesday, Feb. 17.

### 4.0 Grade-Point Average

BreAnna Briggs	Cross Country	Freshman	Nursing
Melissa Jones	Cross Country	Freshman	Kinesiology
Shelby Nicholls	Cross Country	Freshman	Kinesiology
Sheila Salil	Cross Country	Senior	Heath Sciences
Ashley Watkins	Golf	Senior	Communication
Chris Perez	Baseball	Freshman	Mechanical Engineering
Tim Green	Men's Basketball	Senior	Communication
Nathan Robinson	Men's Tennis	Freshman	Communication

Quincy Obeng Technology	Men's Track	Freshman	Mech. Engineering
Alejia Cain	Softball	Sophomore	Communication
Kim Connelly	Softball	Senior	History
Larissa Martin	Softball	Senior	Math
Hannah Schwarz	Softball	Sophomore	Interdisciplinary Studies
Lindsey Schindler	Volleyball	Senior	Kinesiology

Dean's List (3.65 or better)

Women's Cross Country (6)

BreAnna Briggs, Sarah De Los Santos, Melissa Jones, Meghan Lemke, Shelby Nicholls, and Sheila Salil

Baseball (6)

Adam Hoelscher, Andrew Longoria, Josh Meade, Jeremy Narvaez, Matt Ogbeide, and Chris Perez

Softball (4)

Alejia Cain, Kim Connelly, Larissa Martin, and Hannah Schwarz

Men's Track (3)

Quincy Obeng, Travis St. Clair, and Ross Williams

Women's Track (3)

Cadeen James, Hannah Maenius, and Jasmine Oyewumi

Volleyball (3)

Ariel Carlson Shannon Hullum, and Lindsey Schindler,

Men's Cross Country (3)

Cody Lemke, Ari Perez, and Eloy Zertuche

Women's Golf (2)

Courtney Peeler and Ashley Watkins

Women's Tennis (2)

Alexandra Dyckman and Olga Panova

Men's Basketball (1)

Tim Green

Men's Tennis (1)

Nathaniel Robinson

Athletic Director's Honor Roll (3.0 or better)

Baseball (23)

Brycen Bell, Bobby Buckner, Brett Carnline, Marc Damon, Chris Famiglietti, Roy Ferdin, Stephen Flora, Omar Garcia, Brett Gibson, Adam Hoelscher, Matt Holland, Matt Hudec, Trenton Irwin, Andrew Longoria, Caleb Marx, Josh Meade, Hayden Moore, Jeremy Narvaez, Matt Ogbeide, Martin Parra, Chris Perez, Andrew Toppert, and Chris Vergne

Softball (15)

Alejia Cain, Melissa Casey, Kim Connelly, Elaina Crabtree, Kim Estrada, Zaida Hager, Margo Hurdt, Alex Hutchinson, Lauren Iverson, Caley Jeter, Larissa Martin, Landry Moore, Sandy Schumann, Hannah Schwarz, and Morgan Seals

Women's Cross Country (13)

Faith Barlow, Molly Bishop, BreAnna Briggs, Alex Bullard, Sarah De Los Santos, Emily Jones, Melissa Jones, Meghan Lemke, Katie Levensailor, Shelby Nicholls, Daniela Prado, Anne Ronoh, and Sheila Salil

Men's Track (10)

Eric Alaniz, Dallas Crain, Stephen Koenig, Jamal McBride, Quicny Obeng, Travis St. Clair, Alex Vasquez, Ross Williams, Hickel Woolery and Matt Youngblood

Men's Cross Country (10)

Daniel Barlow, Kirk Dalheim, Andrew Falcon Cody Lemke, Ari Perez, Clint Pollack, Jordan Valle, Scott Vance, David Wells and Eloy Zertuche

Women's Basketball (7)

Imani Dunn, Deziree Green, Anitra Jeffrey, Shaye Montgomery, Lauren Smith, Latoya Thomas, and Diandra Torres

Women's Tennis (6)

Mirna Cicak, Bianca Discordia, Alexandra Dyckman, Nadia Filmater, Leanne Mascall and Olga Panova

Women's Track (5)

Jamakka Halton, Jennifer Hernandez, Cadeen James, Hannah Maenius, and Jasmine Oyewumi

Volleyball (5)

Ariel Carlson, C.J. Downey, Shannon Hullum, Kandyce Nielsen and Lindsey Schindler

Men's Tennis (5)

Jaume Farras, Dmitry Novikov, James Langford, Laurent Montois, and Nathaniel Robinson

Women's Golf (4)

Cecilia Jeon, Courtney Peeler, Ashley Watkins, and Ryann White

Men's Basketball (2)  
Filip Toncinic and Tim Green